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SUBJECT: DRUG ABUSE SUBGROUP MANDATE

1. ROSENTHAL OF MEXICAN EMBASSY CALLED ARA/MEX COUNTRY DIRECTOR JUNE 2 TO CONVEY MESSAGE WHICH HE SAID CAME ON PERSONAL INSTRUCTION OF ATTORNEY GENERAL FLORES. HE SAID THAT MEXICAN GOVERNMENT HAD TAKEN NOTE OF PRESS RELEASE OF MAY 11 DISTRIBUTED BY OFFICE OF SENATOR ORIN HATCH REGARDING SENATOR'S APPOINTMENT TO US-MEXICAN DRUG ABUSE SUBGROUP. THE MEXICAN GOVERNMENT, HE ADDED, FOUND THE RELEASE INCORRECT IN THREE ASSERTIONS: THAT THE SUBGROUP WAS ESTABLISHED AT THE REQUEST OF MEXICO; THAT ITS FIRST MEETING WILL BE IN WASHINGTON; AND THAT IT WILL HAVE THE POWER TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE U.S. AND MEXICAN GOVERNMENTS. HE REQUESTED THAT SENATOR HATCH BE INFORMED

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OF THE MEXICAN POSITION. COUNTRY DIRECTOR AGREED TO DO SO, BUT NOTED THAT OUR UNDERSTANDING WAS THAT SUBGROUP WOULD NOT MAKE JOINT RECOMMENDATIONS TO GOVERNMENTS, THOUGH EITHER SIDE WOULD BE FREE TO MAKE SUGGESTIONS OR RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE OTHER, WHICH OTHER SIDE COULD ACCEPT OR REJECT.

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2. FOREGOING POINTS REGARDING PRESS RELEASE (WHICH WE STILL HAVE NOT SEEN) WERE RELAYED JUNE 7 TO SENATOR HATCH'S PRESS SECRETARY. HE CONFIRMED THAT RELEASE, WHICH HE WILL SEND US, HAD IN FACT MADE THOSE POINTS. HE SAID RELEASE HAD BEEN DRAFTED IN A HURRY WITH INCOMPLETE INFORMATION AND OFFERED TO SEND WRITTEN APOLOGY TO GOM. COUNTRY DIRECTOR SUGGESTED THAT NO WRITTEN APOLOGY WAS NECESSARY BUT THAT WE WOULD CONVEY TO GOM THAT SENATOR HATCH HAD BEEN INFORMED, AS MEXICANS REQUESTED, AND HAD ACCEPTED THE GOM'S CLARIFICATIONS. PRESS SECRETARY ACCEPTED THIS APPROACH, EXPRESSING REGRET FOR ANY IRRITATION INCIDENT MAY HAVE CAUSED.

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